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2 **ABSTRACT**

3 An implementation of a digital signature technique, described herein,
4 generates, and another implementation of a digital signature technique, also
5 described herein, validates, a hidden plaintext or ciphertext message wherein one
6 or more portions of that message have another ciphertext message implicitly
7 embedded therein. In other implementations, two or more portions of that
8 message have another ciphertext message implicitly embedded therein. This
9 abstract itself is not intended to limit the scope of this patent. The scope of the
10 present invention is pointed out in the appending claims.
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